

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

QIXIAN WU, *et al.*,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CR22-0048-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Yong Cong Wu's motion to continue trial and pretrial motions deadlines (Dkt. No. 28). Having thoroughly considered the motion and the relevant record, the Court hereby GRANTS the motion.

Trial in this matter is set for June 21, 2022. (Dkt. No. 24.) Mr. Wu seeks a continuance, citing the need for more time to review voluminous discovery, investigate potential defenses, consider pretrial motions, and adequately prepare for trial. (Dkt. No. 28 at 3.) Counsel indicates that neither the Government nor Mr. Wu's two Co-Defendants objects to the motion. (*Id.* at 2.)

Based on the foregoing, the Court FINDS that the ends of justice served by granting the requested continuance outweigh the best interests of the Defendants and the public in a speedy trial. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). This finding is based on the following:

1. A failure to grant a continuance in this case would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i);

1           2.       Taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a continuance  
2 in this case would deny counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation due to  
3 counsel's need for more time to review and analyze discovery, consider possible defenses, and  
4 research and prepare pretrial motions, as set forth in § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv); and

5           3.       The additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay.

6 It is therefore ORDERED as follows:

7           1.       The motion for a continuance (Dkt. No. 28) is GRANTED.

8           2.       The current trial date is CONTINUED to June 12, 2023; pretrial motions will be  
9 due May 11, 2023. Parties should consult the Court's Chambers Procedures posted on its website  
10 for detailed instructions regarding pretrial submissions and trial procedure.

11          3.       The time from the date of this order until the June 12, 2023 trial date is an  
12 excludable period under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

13          DATED this 5th day of May 2022.

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John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE